

(left) The coffin door in College Hall stands ajar. (right) Patrol manager Charles Jones and photography secretary Joan Kaminski search for spirits in the stairwell leading to the Tower Clock.

Halloween brings out stories of skeletons in closets

It's Halloween. Spirits of the dead have returned on their annual pilgrimage to haunt the mortal world. Feel that sudden chill in your office? One could be visiting you.

OK, maybe you don't believe in that hocus-pocus hype. You ain't afraid of no ghosts. But how many excuses can you come up with for not spending the night on the fourth floor of College Hall? For years, Department of Safety and Security patrols and others have reported seeing something, or feeling a presence there. It turns out that in the days when the building was the University's first dorm, a student hung himself there.

Other stories of unusual occurrences abound, primarily centered around the older historic buildings on campus. Public Relations secretary Linda Barries reports that several years ago, when she was working for Alumni Relations and Advancement, she walked into an office in Chapel Hall to discover the apparition of an elderly gentleman hovering over a desk. "It was so clear. . . . It was a spooky feeling. It stayed with me a long time," Barries said.

There have been enough footsteps heard in the Tower Clock to certify the place as a poltergeists' promenade. And the number of ghost sightings reported on Kendall Green leads one to believe that there are plenty of nooks and crannies where the spirits were securely ensconced for years.

What apparently got their ectoplasm flared up, according to Jack Gannon, special assistant to the president, was former University President Leonard Elstad's multimillion dollar construction program in the late 1950s and early 1960s. Many spirits were evicted from their comfortable digs when a number of old buildings were demolished to make way for new structures.

"The ghosts were not too happy about that," Gannon said. "People

started coming to work in the mornings and finding them in their closets, particularly in the older buildings. They'd go to hang up their coats and the ghosts would sort of swoosh out at them. Please don't ask me where the ghosts went during the day, but I suspect they headed for the Tower Clock, since it's kept locked and there are louvered windows they could go through."

Gannon's secretary, Gerri Frank, said that she also had a close encounter with the spirit world when she was working late one night when the Alumni Relations office was in Chapel Hall. "It sounded like someone had walked into the office, so I went out to look, and no one was there," Frank said. After hearing the sound two more times and still not seeing anyone, "I said out loud, 'Stop that noise or I'll never get anything done!' I never heard the noise again."

Bobbi Boswell, a secretary for Alumni Relations, and Polly Peikoff, an active volunteer on campus, had this intriguing tale to report: It seems that a few years ago, a camera was sitting on a table in the lobby of 'Ole Jim.' Somehow the camera was jarred and a picture was taken. When the film was developed, the frame that had been accidentally exposed showed a wavy texture, like water, with a human form at the end. It turns out that the camera was aimed at the area where 'Ole Jim's' swimming pool used to be.

Then there's the story of the ghost of Edward Miner Gallaudet, who former President Edward C. Merrill and his wife claimed to roam House One rattling chandeliers. The story goes that when King Jordan became the University's first deaf president, the ghost paid Jordan and his wife, Linda, a visit when they first moved into the president's house. Linda, who is hearing, claimed that she was awakened one night by the couple's bedroom windows rattling and

South African activist discusses apartheid in lectures on campus

Ultimately, the way that South Africa's political system of apartheid will crumble is through the protest of black people—the victims of the white government that maintains the system—even when violence and personal sacrifice are unavoidable, South African activist Christine Qunta told Gallaudet in a lecture in "Ole Jim" on Oct. 18.

Qunta knows all too well the price that protesting can bring—she has lived in exile from her native country for the past 13 years. "But my home will always be in South Africa," she said, and she continues to push for her people's independence through her writings and lectures.

In the early 1970s, in a time when it was a criminal offense for black people to carry on economic trade in South Africa, Qunta was a university student and the local executive for one of the country's most prominent black student political movements, the South African Students' Organization. Because of her political activism, she was branded a troublemaker by the police.

In 1976, Qunta said that the police had her "detained," which meant that she could be held indefinitely by the police without being charged and therefore with no rights to a trial, and could not be seen by anyone, not even an attorney. Three weeks later she was released by the police and took the opportunity to flee the country. Over the years she has lived in Botswana, Australia, where she earned a degree in law, and in Zimbabwe, where she now resides.

She has edited a book, *Women in Southern Africa*, is finishing a book due to be published next year about the perspectives of black people living in an apartheid system since the turn of the century, and is presently on a three-week lecture tour of the United States.

The situation in South Africa has improved since the days when Qunta lived there. Black people are now al-

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Fall play opens Nov. 9 in Elstad

The opening production of the 1989-90 season for Gallaudet's Theatre Arts Department, John Guare's "The House of Blue Leaves," will premiere on Nov. 9.

The award-winning play (1971 Critics Award and Obie Award as Best American Play) will be directed by Bob Daniels. The play has been described by the *New York Daily News* as "brilliant . . . wacky and sometimes sad . . . combined hilarity, poignancy, and outrageous stage asides."

Performance dates are Nov. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18 at 8 p.m. in Elstad Auditorium. Tickets are free to Gallaudet students, \$4 for other students and children, and \$6 for all others. Reservations can be made by calling x5500 (V) or x5502 (TDD).

Reservations by mail can be sent to Box Office Manager, Box 2303, along with a check payable to Gallaudet Theatre and a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Box office hours are Nov. 6-8 from 2-5 p.m., Nov. 9-10 from 2-8 p.m., Nov. 11 from 5-8 p.m., Nov. 13-15 from 2-5 p.m., Nov. 16-17 from 2-8 p.m., and Nov. 18 from 5-8 p.m.



Gallaudet has again been listed in U.S. News & World Report's yearly survey as one of America's best colleges. Gallaudet placed second in the category of regional liberal arts colleges in the North, and in that category, both its academic reputation and its faculty were rated number one.



Graphic artist Jan Skrobisz (left) talks with Elizabeth Ceglaz of Sweden. Ceglaz's daughter, Isabella, met Skrobisz at The Deaf Way and discovered that her mother and Skrobisz had both attended the school for deaf students in Wejhewo, Poland (near Gdansk), 21 years ago. Ceglaz visited Skrobisz while in Washington on a tour of the United States.

Among Ourselves

Dr. Thomas Landers, a professor in the Department of Administration and Supervision, has been invited to lecture in a two-week management training program in China in December. His visit will be funded by the United Nations. The program, designed to upgrade Chinese management skills, is organized by the Chinese and administered by The New School for Social Research in New York.

On the Green won an Award of Merit in the newsletter category of the annual Silver Inkwell Awards competition held by the Washington Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators. Editor Vickie Walter accepted the award at the awards banquet held Sept. 27 at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill.

Dr. Jane Hurst, a professor in the Philosophy and Religion Department, was a participant in Harmonia Mundi, a conference created by the Dalai Lama and held in California Oct. 2-7. The purpose of the meeting was to bring together people of different religions and philosophies to help bring about compassion and world peace. Hurst was present when the Dalai Lama was notified that he had won this year's Nobel Peace Prize.



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'Ole Jim' menu

Friday, Nov. 3
Noon-1:30 p.m.

MEXICAN

Enchiladas with Cheese
or Chili
Tossed Salad
Mexican-style Rice
Refried Beans
Sheet Cake
Iced Tea, Coffee

Announcements

The Athletics Department has set new admission fees for football games: staff and faculty with I.D., \$3; students from other schools with I.D., \$2; Gallaudet students with I.D., free; children under 10, free; all others, \$4. For more information, call x5603.

The National Academy is sponsoring a workshop on "Meeting Management and Participation: The Art of Parliamentary Procedure," featuring GUAA President and certified parliamentarian Gerald "Bummy" Burstein, on Nov. 4, from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Ely Center Multipurpose Room. The workshop costs \$30 and an additional \$8 for participants who want to receive .8 continuing education credits. To register, bring a check or interdepartmental invoice to College Hall, Room 210. For more information, call Pat Johanson, x5096.

The Gallaudet Library will hold a Fall Book Sale in the upper level lounge of the Merrill Learning Center on Monday, Nov. 6, from 10 a.m.-midnight, and Tuesday-Wednesday, Nov. 7-8, from 8 a.m.-midnight. Hardback books will cost 50 cents; paperbacks, 25 cents; and magazines, 10 cents.

Gallaudet faculty, staff, and administrators are encouraged to apply for the National Faculty Exchange, a network of colleges and universities that manages the exchange of faculty, staff, and administrators among its more than 140 members. Application deadline is Nov. 8. For more information, contact Taya Levine at HMB, Room 161, x5629.

The Management Institute is offering a seminar on "Self-Affirmation: Implementing Your Professional Action Plan" on Wednesday, Nov. 8. Early registration is encouraged. For more information, call x5900.

Qunta lectures are well attended

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lowed to participate in the enterprise system, some black political leaders are beginning to have a voice in the government's decisions, and a number of black political prisoners are being released from prison. But Qunta believes that these are merely token concessions that the government is making in light of the international focus on the social and political problems in South Africa.

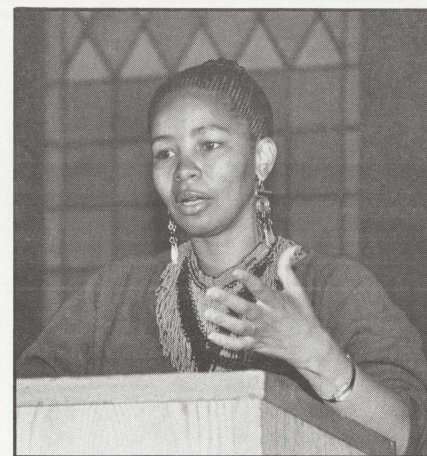
The black population will not rest, Qunta said, until they obtain the right to vote and until women are no longer treated as "permanent minors," the same as they were more than 300 years ago when the country was under the rule of Dutch colonialists. Qunta explained, for example, that to this day, women cannot sign contracts to own property.

But these are things, Qunta said, "that we know the government will never concede." She said that the western world could force the government's hand through total arms and trade embargos, "but we know that they won't. . . . It must take political activity on our part, and it does not have to be peaceful."

Qunta's words visibly moved many

of the people in the audience, and several took the time after the lectures to express their gratitude to her for visiting Gallaudet.

One of the most attentive audiences was a group of MSSD students, whom she addressed in the school's auditorium. After the lecture, she met with students in MSSD's social studies area and answered questions for another hour. Qunta also gave a lecture in Ely Auditorium.



Christine Qunta talks about life in South Africa during a lecture in 'Ole Jim.'

Classified Ads

CLASSIFIED ADS are printed free as a service to Gallaudet faculty and staff. They must be submitted in writing only to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37. Ads may be run for a maximum of two weeks, if requested and if space permits. The deadline for submitting advertisements is Friday, 10 days before the desired publication.

FOR SALE: Weight set w/bench, \$100; exercise bike, \$50. Call Rosemary, x5115.

FOR SALE: Unfinished pine roll-top desk, \$100/BO; unfinished pine deacon's bench, \$35/BO; 10-rm. doll house, 1 in. = 1 ft. scale, \$100/BO; 4-rm. Victorian doll house, \$50/BO; 10-15 doll house furn. kits, prices vary; remote 13 in. color TV, volume not working, \$50/BO. Call Andre, 271-9348 (V/TDD) after 6 p.m. M-F, anytime on Sat./Sun.

FOR SALE: '81 Bronco XLT, 351 V 8, exc. cond., BO. Call Mal, X5410 or 820-2920 (TDD).

WANTED: Someone with whom to carpool from Lorton/Springfield, Va., to Gallaudet weekdays. Call Mike, x5257 or 643-0509 (V) eves.

WANTED: Responsible housesitter to care for 2 dogs and 1 cat, all loving, Dec. 20-Jan. 10, in nice apt. near Woodley Park Metro. Contact Carole Frankel, x5563 or HMB, Room 183.

FOR SALE: Apple IIGS computer w/3 disk drives and Imagewriter II printer, more than 35 software programs and more than 55 disks, must sell, \$2,400/neg. Contact Kelby Brick, P.O. Box 220.

FOR SALE: 1-yr.-old 18-speed men's 18-in. Trek bike w/lock, mirror, cushioned seat, water bottle, and more, rarely used, blue metallic, paid \$600, will sell for \$500; 1-yr.-old twin-size day/trundle bed set, \$300/BO; 1-yr.-old compact microwave oven, \$100/BO. Call Marjorie, 341-5331 (TDD) eves.

FOR SALE: One-way airplane ticket to L.A. or San Francisco for Monday evening, Dec. 18, \$225/BO. Call Larry, 577-7295 (TDD).

FOR RENT: Private office w/waiting room in downtown Silver Spring, Md., \$500/mo. Call Bruce, 232-7466 (V/TDD).

FOR SALE: 5-yr.-old O'Keefe & Merritt self-cleaning gas stove, \$200; 3-yr.-old General Electric gas dryer, \$100; both in good cond. Call Lin, x5260.

FOR SALE: '83 Chevrolet S-10 longbed truck, 2.8 liter engine, 63,500 mi., runs well, needs tune up, blue book price \$2,250, sell for \$2,000/BO. Call D. Keller, 773-8783 (TDD) after 4 p.m.

FOR SALE: Tatung 19-in. color TV, good picture and tuning, broken speaker, \$100; J.C. Penney full-size microwave, 750 watts, \$100; Pentax 35mm camera w/50mm lens K/M, works well, \$75/neg. Call B. Keller, x5140.

WANTED: Responsible, nonsmoking roommate to share house in Silver Spring, Md., must have transportation, avail. now, \$290/mo. inc. util. Call Paul, 699-2868 (TDD) days.

Provost position open

Gallaudet University seeks nominations and expressions of interest for the position of provost.

The provost serves as the chief academic officer and is responsible for education at all levels and the well-being of the students and faculties involved. The provost provides leadership in strategic planning and establishes goals in concert with the mission of the University. The provost is the key adviser to the president and the Board of Trustees on academic and student life issues. He/she serves as a role model for excellence in keeping with the educational mission of the University.

It is expected that the provost will have an earned doctorate, will demonstrate evidence of substantive contributions to his/her field of scholarly discipline, and will possess significant experience in the education of deaf people as well as success in academic program administration. The successful candidate will also demonstrate knowledge of and sensitivity to deafness, deaf culture, and the mission of the University. Fluency in sign communication is required at time of appointment.

For full consideration, submit nominations or expressions of interest no later than Dec. 31, 1989, to Dr. Jack R. Gannon, Provost Search Committee, President's Office.

Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD). **TEACHER'S AIDE, SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM: KDES**

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